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SIMMONS STATEMENT ON UAE ANNOUNCEMENT ON PORTS DEAL

WASHINGTON – Rep. Rob Simmons, R-2nd District, today released the following statement in response to today's announcement by DP World. The United Arab Emirates state-owned company said today it will transfer its U.S. port operations to an American-owned company.

"Today's decision by DP World is a welcome one. However, the devils are always in the details and I look forward to carefully reviewing this announcement. The brouhaha over the Dubai ports deal has highlighted the critical importance of port security to our national security. Congress must continue to stay focused on increasing U.S. port security capabilities. Our homeland security depends upon it."

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